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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1893.

THE Hongkong 'Odd Volumes' who have begun their career by taking up the very large question 'What does Hongkong want?' have decided, by a majority, after devoting two evenings to the discussion of the question, that what the colony most urgently requires is Governmental Reform. This particular 'want' has been felt for a long time, and the necessity for meeting it has very frequently been urged. It may be said that the 'Odd Volumes' are an unrepresentative and irresponsible body, and that their opinion in a matter of this kind counts for little or nothing; but it may fairly enough be

strength of public feeling; on this subject when the members of an association like this—whose quaint and modest name is suggestive of meanderings in the more secluded by-paths of literature—make an incursion into the highway of public life for the purpose of declaring to the world that they may count on the fact that it is what they want, Hongkong wants such things, and that its particular and immediate want is Governmental Reform. The 'Volumes,' as we have indicated, were not quite unanimous on the point. There were those that raised their voices (if volumes can be said to do so) for a Municipal Council, while others cried for increased educational facilities; but 'Reform in the Government' was declared by a majority of six over the educationists, to be what Hongkong most requires. It is gratifying to find the members of this association signifying in a manner so explicit that they are public-spirited citizens first and Old Volume's afterwards. We are always bewailing the want of public spirit in this Colonial-Office-ridden community, but here is a demonstration which may be taken as affording a hopeful sign of a growing popular

the colony. We may look upon it as the small beginning of a public feeling which, properly directed, will be a powerful influence for good in the future of the colony. As an irresponsible and unrepresentative body, it is true that the 'Odd Volumes' must not be taken too seriously when they deal with public questions, but there was a good deal in the speech of Mr J. J. Francis, Q. C., in support of the motion for Governmental Reform, which would be readily acquiesced in by the 'free and enlightened' ratepayers of the colony. The learned 'Volumes' was repeating to a large extent what he had said publicly, and perhaps more convincingly, before.

made use for the purpose of showing the circumlocutory course which an unofficial representation from the colony has to follow in order to reach the Secretary of State, and the futility, generally speaking, of making any representation, and also of the apparent indifference of the Government, indicated very clearly how completely out of touch with the community the governing power of the colony is, and must be, under the present system. It is quite true that there can be little, if anything at all, of the nature of debate in the Legislative Council as it is at present constituted, and that the Council is a solemn sham. It is also true that the Official Members are gagged and bound. But what is of more consequence to the colony is the fact that the Unofficial Members, being in a permanent and ineffectual minority, are placed in a position which almost compels them to support and acquiesce in the policy of the Government, and to be contented if not ultimately accept and tolerate, if not to actively uphold, what they know to be a sham. If there is no encouragement under the existing state of things for Official Members to study, and form independent opinions on, the questions that come before them, the same may surely be said or regards

in which there is any chance of public opinion being adequately represented and given effect to in the Legislative Council is by means of an Unofficial Majority. Let the Unofficial Members be placed in a position which will enable them to carry any point in the Council on which they are unanimous, a position in which they will be actuated by a sense of public duty and public responsibility, and there need not be the slightest doubt that the true interests of the colony will be much better attended to than they have been hitherto. An Unofficial Majority would not be incapable of blundering, but it could

extravagantly as our Official majority has done; and its blunders would stand much less chance of being ratified by the Colonial Office. As a rule, the Unofficial Members, taking them all round, are men who are much more intimately acquainted with the real needs of the colony, and men of more experi-

More than that, they are men who have more important interests at stake, and are much more closely concerned in the welfare of the colony than the Officials. Hence, every man of sense and energy, whose influence ought to preponderate in the Legislature of this colony.

THE favoured queen of an Eastern harem has her creature comforts very carefully looked after. An amiable and delicate one of her meals came before our notice the other day, and, says a contemporary, we appended it. The menu had as its *pièce de résistance* a repast consisting of a young hawk roasted whole, stuffed with a turkey, which again was stuffed with a pigeon, the pigeon, on its part, being stuffed with a quail, and, lastly, this quail was stuffed with a chicken. It is hard to imagine a more prevailing flavor of this much-amused dish—certainly suggestive, as it is, of the least of an epicurean's brain.

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